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CYTOPLASMIC INHIBITION OF GENE EXPRESSION AND EXPRESSION OF A FOREIGN PROTEIN IN A MONOCOT PLANT BY A PLANT VIRAL VECTOR

ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to recombinant viral vectors encoding a transcriptional unit, that encodes a fusion protein, or a foreign protein or a gene of interest to be silenced, which can be expressed in a host. The present invention also relates to the use of these recombinant viral vectors to express a fusion protein, a foreign protein, to silence a gene of interest in a host. The present invention also relates to the use of these recombinant viral vectors to screen a cDNA or genomic library in order to correlate a nucleotide sequence with a phenotypic or biochemical change.